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**Sam Sparks**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1939  
Education: Texas 1961 BA, 1963 LLB  
Began Service: December 7, 1991  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Chambers of District Judge Homer Thornberry, United States District Court for the Western District of Texas (1964-1965)

**Government:** Aide (D-TX), Office of Representative W. Homer Thornberry, United States House of Representatives (1963-1964)

**Legal Practice:** Associate Partner, Hardie, Grambling, Sims & Galatzan (1965)

**Current Memberships:** American Board of Trial Advocates; American College of Trial Lawyers; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

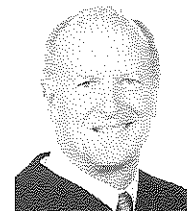
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**Fred Biery**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Texas Lutheran 1970 BA;  
Southern Methodist 1973 JD  
Began Service: March 14, 1994  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Political Affiliation: Democrat



**Judicial:** Judge, Bexar County Court at Law (1979-1982); Judge, Texas District Court, 150th District (1983-1988); Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, Fourth District (1989-1994)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Biery, Biery, Davis & Myers (1973-1978)

**Military Service:** United States Army Reserve, United States Department of the Army (1970-1976)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The William S. Sessions American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; San Antonio Bar Association; San Antonio Bar Foundation; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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**Orlando L. Garcia**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1952  
Education: Texas 1975 BA, 1978 JD  
Began Service: 1994  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Government:** Legislative Aide, United States House of Representatives (1974-1983); State Representative Orlando Luis Garcia (R-TX), Texas House of Representatives (1983-1991)

**Judicial:** Judge, Texas Court of Appeals, Fourth District (1991-1994)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Law Office of Matt Garcia (1978-1985); Associate, Heard, Goggan, Blair & Williams (1985-1990)

**Current Memberships:** San Antonio Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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**Philip R. Martinez**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1957  
Education: Texas (El Paso) 1979 BA; Harvard 1982 JD  
Began Service: February 15, 2002  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Judicial:** Judge, County Court of Law No. 1 (1991); Judge, 327th Judicial District Court, State of Texas (1991-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Kemp, Smith, Duncan & Hammond, P.C.

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; El Paso Bar Association; El Paso Mexican-American Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; National Hispanic Bar Association; Philosophical Society of Texas; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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**Alia M. Ludlum**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: January 6, 1962  
Education: Texas Woman's 1983 BBA; Texas 1986 JD  
Began Service: November 18, 2002  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Government:** Trial Attorney and Chief of Appellate Section, Office of the County Attorney, County of Travis, Texas (1986-1990); Trial Attorney and Chief of Del Rio Division, Western District of Texas, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, George H.W. Bush Administration (1990-1997)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Texas (1997-2002)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Fifth Circuit Bar Association; Hispanic National Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Val Verde County Bar Association

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**Robert A. Junell**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: January 27, 1947  
Education: Texas Tech 1969 BS; Arkansas 1974 MS; Texas Tech 1976 JD  
Began Service: February 13, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Scott, Hulse, Marshall and Feuille (1977-1979); Partner, Webb, Stokes & Sparks (1979-1990); Associate/Partner, Griffiths, Motl and Junell (1990-1994); Partner, Smith, Carter, Rose, Finley and Griffiths (1994-1996); Of Counsel, Small, Craig & Werkenthin, P.C. (1996-1998); Of Counsel, Jackson Walker L.L.P. (1999-2003)

**Military Service:** Captain, United States Army (1969-1980)

**Staff**

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**Xavier Rodriguez**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: September 20, 1961  
Education: Harvard 1983 AB; Texas 1987 MPA, 1987 JD  
Began Service: August 18, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Judicial:** Justice, Supreme Court of Texas (2001-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1987-2001); Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (2002-2003)

**Military Service:** Captain, United States Army Reserve Judge Advocate General Corps

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; San Antonio Bar Association; San Antonio Bar Foundation; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

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**Lee Yeakel**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: Texas 1966 BA, 1969 JD; Virginia 2001 LLM  
Began Service: July 31, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Government:** Member, National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; Member, Licensing and Regulation Commission, State of Texas (1989-1998)

**Judicial:** Chief Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, Third District (1998); Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, Third District (1998-2003)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1969-1998)

**Military Service:** United States Marine Corps (1968-1970)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; State Bar of Texas; Travis County Bar Association

**Staff**

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